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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/763,419; filed July 19, 2001
Capillary Column and Method of Making
(Malik, Wang)
Attorney Docket No. USF-221XT

Attachment: 1. Request for Continued Examination (in triplicate)
2. Supplemental Response Under 37 CFR 1.116
3. Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.132 of Dr. Abdul Malik
4. Exhibit A

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| Art Unit | 1743 |
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